

KENNEDY WANTS TAX-CUT FIRST

Then He'd Forego Reform Measure



President Kennedy talks this morning to a symposium on economic growth sponsored by the American Bankers Association. (UPI Telephoto)

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Kennedy said today he is willing to forego tax reform this year if it is necessary to get a tax-cut bill through Congress.

He emphasized to the American Bankers Association that his primary interest is getting corporate and personal income tax rates reduced to avoid a possible recession.

Kennedy has been seeking a net tax cut of \$10.3 billion spread over the next three years. The proposals he has sent to Congress called for both the reduction and an accompanying — and controversial — reform of the tax laws.

Strongest Speech Yet

Kennedy's statement today was made in a question and answer session after he delivered a speech to a symposium on economic growth sponsored by the bankers. It was one of the strongest declarations he has made that he would jettison the reform proposals if necessary to get congressional enactment of a tax cut effective this year.

Only a week ago, Democratic congressional leaders said the administration planned to continue its efforts for the overall tax reduction-and-reform package. This involved a gross tax reduction of \$13.5 billion with about \$3.5 billion being returned to the government through reform measures to

tighten loopholes and correct inequities.

Kennedy told the bankers today that "quite obviously" he did not want his reform recommendations to delay the tax reduction so much that it might not be sufficiently effective this year.

"If we cannot get reform, obviously we are going to have to rewrite the package," the President said. "If Congress were to come up with a \$10 billion suit, we would then have to adjust all the rates."

States Preference

The President said that from his viewpoint a cut of less than \$10 billion this year might be preferable. But at the same time he said he would prefer to "err on the side of a large enough tax reduction" and thus would accept a \$10 billion reduction without the reform provisions if it became necessary.

In the formal speech, the President said there was "nothing deeply wrong with our economy," but that the nation "must release the brake of excessive taxation" (Continued on Page 3, Col. 4)

Good Evening!

Longest shortest month on record.

February cold, windy, disagreeable all the way. If this sort of thing continues we won't be listening to the first robin until July.

Which reminds us to remind you: Keep busy keeping the bird feeders filled.

Cuban economy sagging.

Castro's government orders rationing of clothing which means that now the Cuban people are having much trouble trying to get everything they use, including food — if they get it at all.

No joy over the plight of the people. There can be only hope that they can be freed of the heavy Communist heel before it is too late.

Strick Trailer Division on Route 1 starts a \$750,000 expansion program and this is excellent news for Lower Bucks. It means, of course, additional jobs at what has become one of the region's largest industrial operations.

And it won't be long until our newest enterprise, the R. C. Can Company, on Route 13, will be pecking along. Well sir, there's a mighty welcome addition to our growing industrial family.

One to three inches of snow yesterday, cold today, more snow tonight and cold tomorrow even as this month of February fades away.

Only 24 more days until spring. But we won't believe it until we see it.

The most inconvenient time for bill collectors to call is when you are at home.

When success turns a man's head he's already facing in the direction of failure.

A bachelor is a fellow who won't take yes for an answer.

Watch your driving.

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Welsh Jury Chosen, Trial Starts On Macing Charges

Woman Faces Topsy Charge After Fatality

A Croydon woman was charged with involuntary manslaughter and driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor after a passenger in the car she was operating was killed in an accident on Beaver St., Bristol, yesterday.

Mrs. Adele Miller, 44, of Cedar St., Croydon, whose husband owns Del's Tavern, Beaver Dam Road, Bristol Township, was driving Mrs. Beatrice Cox, 49, to her home at 123 Wood St., Bristol, when the car struck a utility pole on Beaver St., Bristol.

Employed As Cook

Mrs. Cox, who worked as a cook at the tavern, died as a result of injuries received in the accident, Bristol police said today.

Police were called at 4:19 a.m. Sgt. Michael Manto and Officer Alfred Eastlack found the car, with the two passengers still inside, rammed into the pole at Beaver St. and Jefferson Ave.

The two officers tried to open the right hand door to free Mrs. Cox, but could not move it. They tried the door on the other side, and were able to free Mrs. Miller.

Special Equipment

They then called the Goodwill Hose Co. No. 3, which brought special equipment to help free Mrs. Cox. They arrived at 4:45 a.m., shortly after Bristol Police Chief Vincent Faragalli, who was also called to the scene.

Although they managed to get the door open, the firemen were unable to free Mrs. Cox, who was trapped with her legs under the seat.

She was pronounced dead at 5:04 a.m. by Dr. Howard Goldstein at the crash scene, and her body was finally freed at 5:30 a.m. Police said today that Mrs. Cox (Continued on Page 3, Col. 3)

Registrars In Twp. Today

Traveling registrars will sit today at the Edgely Fire House and at the Croydon Fire House in Bristol Township.

Hours are from 2 to 9 p.m. On Wednesday the registrars will be at the Hugh Carcella Hall on Trenton Road, Fairless Hills; and in Morrisville at the American Legion Home on W. Bridge St.

On Thursday they will sit in Bensalem Township at Kings Hall at Poquessing Ave. and Bristol Pike, Andalusia.

Heart Queen Is Crowned



Bucks County's "Heart Queen" is crowned at last night's Teen Hop in Hugh Carcella Hall, Fairless Hills. She is 18-year-old Sherry Stires of 5 Grapevine Road, Goldenridge, Levittown. Standing next to her are the first and second runners up, Kathy Kellet of 35 Locust Ave., Fallsington, and Donna Marsden, 16, of 244 Cardiff Road, Fairless Hills.

Holding the crown is John Chokey, a member of the county Heart Fund Advisory Committee and organizer of the Teen Hops. Others (from left) are David A. Clarke, Heart Fund Chairman; Lou Mamie, vice president of Local 4889, United Steel Workers; and Oaky Miller, disk jockey for the dance and also for WEEZ. (Courier-Times Photo)

4 Officer Holders Dumped

All-Out Primary Fight Looms After Republicans Endorse 6

An all-out fight in the May primary election appears to be developing as the result of the Bucks County Republican party's selection of a slate in Doylestown Saturday.

The 53-member executive committee endorsed County Commissioner John J. Bodley and Register of Wills William J. Veitch Jr. for re-nomination and selected Joseph O. Canby as Bodley's running mate.

However, four office holders were dumped. They are County Commission Chairman Edward B. Boyer, Clerk of Quarter Sessions Robert W. Tootell, County Treasurer Raymond F. Bassett and Coroner Wilmer S. Trinkle. Boyer did not appear before the committee on Saturday.

To many, including Tootell, the selection of the slate came as no surprise. Tootell charged that the slate had been made up the previous Saturday and this would be



JOHN J. BODLEY



JOSEPH CANBY

come an issue in the May 20 primary contest. Republican County Chairman Paul R. Beckert denied that the slate was pre-arranged.

Tootell said that he would run in the primary. "I heard that the slate had already been made up," he said. (Continued on Page 3, Col. 2)

Light Snow On The Way

Yesterday's light snowfall is scheduled to play a repeat performance this afternoon and tonight, the Trenton weatherman says.

Partly cloudy skies were forecast for this morning with light snow coming into the area this afternoon and tonight with clearing skies by tomorrow.

Temperatures are expected to climb to the 30 to 35 degree mark today with an overnight low of 15 to 20. Tomorrow's temperatures should average about the same.

Although yesterday's snowfall measured only three-tenths of an inch, roads became slick last night causing hazardous conditions.

Yesterday's high of 37 came at 11:25 a.m. and the low of 20 degrees at 6 o'clock this morning.

The five-day outlook calls for rain, or snow again on Thursday with temperatures this week expected to average six or more degrees below the normal of 36.

200 May Give Testimony For Demo Head

Bucks County Democratic Chairman John T. Welsh went on trial at 2 p.m. today in Bucks County Criminal Court on charges of macing.

A jury of seven men and five women was to begin hearing testimony as soon as the Commonwealth summarized the charges.

Welsh is charged with demanding assessments on the salaries of highway workers as political contributions. The 48-year-old Democratic leader is charged specifically with two infractions of the state's anti-macing statute.

2 Meetings

The infractions were to have occurred at two separate meetings with highway workers, the Commonwealth charges.

The prosecutors for the Commonwealth are Deputy Attorney General Frank T. Lawley Jr. and Bucks County District Attorney Paul R. Beckert. Beckert is also Bucks County Republican chairman.

The case is being heard before Judge Lawrence A. Monroe.

Chosen in 45 Mins.

The jury was chosen in 45 minutes at a closed hearing in the jury room after several prospective jurors were eliminated on challenges by the Commonwealth and the defense.

At 12:35 p.m. Judge Monroe instructed the jury not to discuss the case and then called a lunch-recess until 2 p.m.

Judge Monroe also told the jury, "Your duty is to arrive at the guilt or innocence of the defendant solely from the evidence you hear in court. If anyone speaks to you, report the incident to the court."

Of the jurors chosen, seven are (Continued on Page 3, Col. 1)

Rotary Clubs Mark Founding

The seven Rotary Clubs of Lower Bucks County this week are marking the 58th anniversary of the founding of Rotary.

Each of the clubs has scheduled a special portion of the weekly meeting to some remainder of the beginning of the organization, which was founded in Chicago Feb. 23, 1905.

The seven clubs in Lower Bucks are those in Washington Crossing, Morrisville, Langhorne, Newtown, Levittown - Fairless Hills, Bristol and Bensalem.

Abby Answers Teenage Dad

"Don't get grown-up ideas," a teenaged father warns other teenagers in a letter to Dear Abby. Because if you do, you will have to face grown-up responsibilities and grown-up tragedies such as the death of the beautiful young girl you loved.

Read his poignant letter, and Abby's reply, on Page 7.

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Speeding Motorists Also Speedy With Zany Excuses

By AL CHESTER
Courier-Times Staff Writer

People give the strangest reasons for their erratic behavior.

But one group of humanity outshines all the rest when it comes to the most original, witty, and unbelievable excuses: motorists. The excuses they give for traffic violations — speeding in particular — are gems. For instance...

Bristol Township Policemen John Harmon and Edward Ward recall some zany happenings.

Some time ago, Bristol Township police spotted a man and woman in a car which was racing back and forth, even going through red lights. Finally, the car skidded and plowed into a snowbank.

Just Killing Time

When questioned by police, the man calmly explained his strange behavior: he was just killing



time, waiting for his wife to go in to labor so he could rush her to the hospital. Reason: she would be admitted as a charity case. If he took her earlier, he'd have to pay, and he couldn't afford it, he said. Bristol Township police settled the matter by calling an ambulance.

Another incident involved a speeder stopped by Ward when he was on the highway patrol.

The offender told Ward that if he arrested him, Ward would be blind within a year. Undaunted

by the threats, Ward took the man to Earl Dougherty, who was then a justice of the peace. The man repeated his threat, this time warning Dougherty that he would go blind within a year if he dared levy a fine. The fine was levied. Ward and Dougherty today report no impairment to their vision.

Too Busy

Another interesting case concerns a man stopped recently on the Pennsylvania Turnpike, not only for speeding but also for "driving in an erratic manner." When stopped and queried by state police, the man said he wasn't aware of his excess speed because he hadn't looked at his speedometer for quite awhile. Why hadn't he looked at his speedometer? His answer: He had been reading a newspaper...

Another speeder, stopped on a Lower Bucks road, didn't have a chance to tell police his story. The pretty young thing in the



back seat — the girl with the black eye — supplied the answer. They were having a "lovers' spat" and George, the driver, kept turning around to belt his sweetheart in the face. Result: he lost sight of the speedometer.

Probably the most common excuse is the so-called emergency.

"I know I was speeding officer, but I couldn't help it. I have to get home (or to the office, or to the hospital, etc.) right away."

The "emergencies" the motorists elaborate on are some of the wildest imaginable.

Rushing Home

One motorist was stopped while speeding through an intersection on Route 73 in Philadelphia. He had just crossed the Tacony-Palmyra bridge from New Jersey. He got nervous and confessed the truth: he had bought several bottles of liquor in Jersey and was rushing home as fast as he could so he wouldn't be caught with the contraband. (It's illegal to buy liquor in Jersey and take it into Pennsylvania.) If he wasn't in enough hot water already, the poor guy compounded the situation by offering the officer a few bottles "to forget what happened."

Another man was speeding along a Lower Bucks highway at about 70 miles an hour. When stopped by police he offered what

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Falls Proposes Half-Mill Increase In Real Estate Tax

A half-mill increase in real estate taxes was proposed Saturday by the Falls Township Board of Supervisors. The tax raise would bring in approximately \$30,000. Under this measure, the owner of a \$10,000 home would pay \$1.70 more to offset the approximate more this year in taxes.

From Pa. Medical Society

Medicare Plan Here Draws Opposition

The compromise plan for giving medical care to the aged, which was announced by the Bucks County Medical Society and the Bucks County AFL-CIO Council last week, has already come under attack.

However, neither of the two groups is perturbed by the opposition which has been voiced by Dr. W. Benson Harer, president of the Pennsylvania Medical Society.

Dr. John J. McGraw Jr., a member of the Bucks County Medical Society, said today that opposition has been expected, and he anticipated several months of negotiation and consultation before any support from other medical bodies could be obtained.

Rejected By PMS
The plan has been rejected by the Pennsylvania Medical Society because under the plan, medical care for the aged would be financed by Social Security taxes. According to Dr. Harer, the state society has a "no-compromise policy on this issue," similar to that of the American Medical Association.

Welsh Trial

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registered Republicans, four are Democrats and one, no party.

They are: Mrs. Sarah K. Crowley, foreman, Aquetong Road, New Hope; Elwood Allen, 905 Roselle Ave., Southampton; Marie L. Benner, 117 N. Chancellor St., Newtown; Harry H. Bunting, 72 Fairview Ave., Morrisville; Thomas J. Callans, 6 Austin Road, Yardley; Frank B. Kerns Jr., 103 Frost Lane, Newtown; A. Warren Kulp Jr., RR 2, Perkasie; Francis D. Martin, 40 Thialabush Lane, Thornridge, Levittown; Ethel J. Miller, RD 1, Troopersburg; Pearl M. Steen, 26 Oak Lane, Fairless Hills; George Van Ardtsden Sr., 207 Vista St., Feasterville; and Margaret VanSickle, 11 Cherry Lane, Crabtree Hollow, Levittown.

The two alternates are Mary H. Gerhart, Haycock Run Road, Revere; and Elizabeth B. Sherman, 405 N. Pine St., Langhorne.

The 48-year-old Democratic leader reportedly has close to 200 character witnesses scheduled to testify in his behalf. No jury had been drawn at press time.

Welsh's other attorneys are Robert W. Vallmont, Isaac S. Garb and Jack Sirott. All three have been active in Democratic politics. While waiting in the lobby of the courthouse this morning, Welsh said, "This is like the old Army game 'hurry up and wait.' I think they're trying to wear me out."

Ready To Testify
Two of the character witnesses reportedly enlisted to testify for Welsh are County Commissioner John J. Bodley, a Republican; and Joseph O. Canby, a Republican and chairman of the Middletown Township supervisors. Both were endorsed Saturday by the GOP for commissioner.

Welsh was arrested last Sept. 5 for allegedly violating the state's anti-macing statute. He is alleged to have demanded assessments on the salaries of state highway workers at a meeting on July 16 and at a meeting of turnpike commission employees on July 18. The workers live in Bucks County.

Ted Kennedy Faces Complaint

STOWE, VT., (UPI)—A spokesman for the Vermont Publishing Co. said today a formal complaint will be filed against Sen. Edward M. Kennedy for allegedly seizing the camera of a news photographer who snapped his picture at a ski lodge.

Richard E. Gallagher, general manager of the corporation, said the complaint is being prepared by a lawyer. He would not disclose the nature of the complaint.

Job Openings Are Plentiful

BOSTON (UPI)—The Massachusetts Division of Employment Security, the state's largest employment agency, has a problem. It has more than 200 job openings mostly for interviewers who help other job applicants find jobs.

lar to that of the American Medical Association.

The plan, which was announced on Tuesday, is the result of several months negotiation between the medical society and the union group.

Social Security Taxes
Under it, the medical society agreed to accept a plan supported by Social Security taxes. The AFL-CIO Council agreed to a plan to provide the aged with insurance policies similar to those offered by Blue Cross and Blue Shield.

Both groups also agreed to make these available to everyone over 65, on the understanding that the cost of the policies can be recovered from the estate of the insured person.

"We realized that this was not in accord with the present opinions of the PMS, and you can't expect them to make any change in their official status for weeks or months," Dr. McGraw said.

No Antagonism
"We knew that the PMS would have to oppose our plan initially, because it is contrary to their present opinion, but they have not rejected it with any antagonism," he said.

Frank Flatch, president of the Bucks County AFL-CIO Council, said that so far there has been no reaction to the plan from other labor groups in the county. He said that both the Bucks County groups involved in the plan had expected opposition, and were confident that it could be overcome.

"We have been working on this for two years, and have been having pretty regular meetings. As a result we have now created a good relationship between the medical society and the AFL-CIO here in Bucks County, which is probably better than anywhere else in the country. This is one reason why we have been able to work so well," he said.

GOP Endorses

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ready been chosen before today's meeting," Tootell said, "but I didn't want to believe it. The voters will not take this lightly."

Tootell was joined in opposition by George Ault, Falls Township GOP leader, who sought the committee's nomination for commissioner. He announced that he would run in the primary "head to head with Canby."

Secret Ballot
Beckert said that the voting was held by secret ballot and that the slate was not "steam-rolled" through.

Beckert said that the fact that two candidates were not elected until the second ballot indicated this.

Others endorsed by the committee were Kathryn E. Dinerman, Quakertown Borough councilman for clerk of quarter sessions; Marvin D. Weidner of Telford for county treasurer; and Dr. Samuel B. Willard of Doylestown for coroner. Mrs. Dinerman and Dr. Willard were not elected until the second ballot.

First Woman
Mrs. Dinerman is a registered nurse and is the first woman in Bucks County to run for clerk of quarter sessions.

Tootell said that the ticket was an "Alliance" slate and was pushed through by the alliance-dominated organization.

The Alliance which backed Beckert for when he won the election for the party chairmanship last year won control of the Organization in last year's May primary.

30 Screened
A total of 30 candidates were screened for the six posts — 11 for commissioner, five each for clerk of quarter sessions, treasurer and coroner and four for register of wills.

These commissioners will be elected in November, two from the majority party and one from the minority. Canby, who is 62, is a Langhorne dairy farmer and chairman of the Middletown Township Board of Supervisors.

Canby is the former chairman of the Republican Alliance which ousted former County Chairman Frederick E. Ziegler and Commissioner Boyer as party leaders. Canby got 38 of 53 votes on the first ballot Saturday and Bodley got 42.

The meeting was held in Doylestown Borough Hall and lasted nearly six hours.

Milton Berkes, chairman of the supervisors, said the increase would bring the township's tax rate to eight mills, "still the lowest of any large municipality in Bucks County."

Falls Township employees will get no raises this year under the terms of the 1963 budget but the supervisors have proposed additional fringe benefits.

The proposals call for adding two days off, considering a pension plan for employees other than police who already have one, and adopting a medical major insurance program.

Allowance To Police
Another proposal would increase the allowance to police for time spent in court on their own time. At present, police receive payment for mileage only. The new proposal would allow them approximately \$10 per day in addition to the usual witness fees.

The 1963 budget calls for expenditures amounting to \$755,244.49, some \$20,000 less than the actual expenditures for 1962. The township spent \$775,832.25 last year.

The smaller budget was made possible by decreasing the expenditures of various departments, notably police, fire, and highways.

Will Delay Purchases
Most of the money has been saved in the highway department allotment. Purchase of new equipment which was contemplated this year will be put off until next year.

Major expenditures in the new budget are for the police department, \$201,800; highway department, \$159,314; street lighting, \$63,500; and repayment of two loans, \$110,000.

Another measure to offset the Fairless Works tax loss was instituted at Saturday's meeting. Under the proposal all coin operated machines will be taxed.

An open hearing on the budget will be held March 4 during the regular monthly supervisors' meeting, and on March 25 at which time the budget will be adopted.

Woman Faces

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suffered a fractured right arm, fractures of both legs, and a fractured right hip in the crash.

Both Mrs. Cox's body and Mrs. Miller were taken to Lower Bucks County Hospital by the Bucks County Rescue Squad.

At the hospital, Mrs. Miller was treated for possible injuries, and was also given a sobriety test, which she failed to pass, police said.

She was released yesterday under \$1,000 bail and will be given a further hearing on Wednesday before Bristol Justice of the Peace Eugene Spadacino.

Mrs. Cox, a widow, was a lifetime resident of Bristol. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Harriet Townsend, Beverly, N.J.; a grandson, William E. Townsend, with the U.S. Army in Texas; three sisters, Mrs. Helen Hicks, Portsmouth, Va.; Mrs. Marion Spencer, Philadelphia; and Mrs. Catherine Washington, Bristol; and a brother, Leon Townsend, Philadelphia.

Funeral Thursday
She was a member of Twilight Temple 106, Independent Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

Funeral service will be held at 9 a.m. Thursday from the George Molden Funeral Chapel, 133 Otter St., Bristol. Solemn Requiem Mass will be sung in St. Mark's Church at 10 a.m.

Friends may call at the funeral chapel from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday.

3rd Ransom Ship Reaches Havana

HAVANA (UPI) — The Red Cross charter ship Primas arrived today from New Orleans with another installment of ransom goods for the freed Pigs Bay invaders.

It was the third ship to arrive here with ransom supplies since the prisoner barter deal was negotiated.

Bristol Boy Uses Cellar For Home

A 15-year-old Bristol boys who has been sleeping in the cellar of the Elk's Home, Radcliffe St., Bristol, for the last two weeks is being held for questioning at Bristol Police Station today.

The boy told police that he had been sleeping on a blanket in the cellar, and got in through an open window.

The boy has been sleeping there, because he did not want to go home, police said today, and is being questioned in connection with incidents in Bristol.

Negro March Convictions Overruled

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Supreme Court, by an 8-1 vote, declared unconstitutional today the breach of peace conviction of 187 Negro students who held an anti-segregation demonstration on the grounds of South Carolina's capitol.

The court held that the convictions violated constitutional guarantees of free speech and assembly. The demonstration took place at Columbia, S.C., on March 2, 1961.

In other actions today the Supreme Court:

—Ordered further lower court proceedings in the case of Leon Bearden who was convicted with his son of hijacking a Continental Airlines plane over New Mexico in 1961. The 5th Circuit Court of Appeals was instructed to take further action in the case of Bearden who was sentenced to life imprisonment.

—Granted a hearing to Harold Fahy who was sentenced to 60 days in jail by a Norwalk, Conn., court of painting swastikas on a synagogue on Feb. 1, 1960.

In their appeal to the Supreme Court, the Negro students had argued the convictions were not supported by the evidence and constituted a denial of free speech.

Justice Potter Stewart, speaking for the majority, said:

"These (students) were convicted of an offense so generalized as to be, in the words of the South Carolina Supreme Court, 'Not susceptible of exact definition.' And they were convicted upon evidence which showed no more than that the opinions which they were peacefully expressing were sufficiently opposed to the views of the majority of the community to mixed 45-51; B large white, 47-50, attract a crowd and necessitate police protection."

The march on the State House grounds took place after Negro students from Columbia high schools and Benedict College had met at a Baptist church. Some carried placards saying things like "I am proud to be a Negro" or "Down with segregation."

Kennedy

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which has been holding back demand and momentum.

He called for an end to "squabbles over who will benefit most" from the proposed reductions.

He challenged critics of his program to come forward with a solution of their own and not concentrate entirely on "partisan, exasperated, rash talk" about swollen federal payrolls, a higher deficit and "a crushing debt burden."

He said he was "not predicting a recession for 1963." But he said that if no tax cut is enacted this year, he would be willing to make this prediction:

"The country will, in the not too distant future, be struck by its fifth post-war recession, with a heavy loss of jobs and profits, a record-breaking budget deficit, and an increased burden of national debt."

Mentions No Names

The President mentioned no names in asserting that "tax reduction will not be passed if each economic group continues to treat (economic) growth as a melon to be divided instead of a crop to be harvested—or if each group examines this crop through the wrong end of a telescope."

"The facts of the matter are, of course, that the reduction is fairly distributed through all income brackets," Kennedy said. "And I would hope that all groups would put the national interest first, and recognize that the prospects for tax reduction and economic growth must not be endangered by squabbles over who will benefit most. For it is the nation that will benefit most from the passage of this program—and the nation that will suffer if they defeat it."

Back In Arms Of Law



Philadelphia's perennial girl-in-trouble, Lillian Reis (right) found herself back in the arms of the law today when her friend, Ralph "Junior" Staino clobbered a policeman as he attempted to issue a ticket for speeding to Staino (left) and Miss Reis "interfered" in the arrest.

Police Probe 3 Levittown Burglaries

An estimated \$63 was taken in three separate burglaries investigated last night by Bristol Township police.

The first burglary was reported at 4:26 p.m. at the residence of Sam Feldman, 45 Orchard Lane, Oaktree Hollow, Levittown, where an estimated \$43 was reported missing.

Sgt. Henry Kleckner and Patrolman Richard Boyle made the investigation. Entrance was believed to have been gained by forcing a rear window.

At 8:50 p.m., police investigated a burglary at the residence of Eugene Jablonski, of 21 Plumtree Road, Plumbridge, Levittown, where an estimated \$10 was reported taken.

Investigating officer Sgt. Kleckner said the thief gained entrance by forcing a door in the carport of the dwelling.

An estimated \$10 was taken from the residence of Pastor and Mrs. Edward Degville at 3600 Rogers Road, Red Rose Gate, Levittown, at 10:15 p.m. in a burglary, police reported.

Detective Edward Ellis made the investigation, and reported the thief gained entrance by forcing a door in the rear of the home. The house was ransacked.

Because of the method used and the proximity of the thefts, police theorized that the 8:50 and 10:15 burglaries were done by the same person.

Police are continuing the investigation today.

Castro Sees Better Times

HAVANA (UPI) — Premier Fidel Castro, speaking a few hours after the announcement of new rationing measures, today predicted better times ahead for the Cuban people.

"What we have now are the fruits of the past," Castro said in an address to a medical congress attended largely by Soviet delegates from Russia, the Soviet satellites and Communist China. "One day we shall reap the fruits of the present."

Castro's two-hour speech in the Charlie Chaplin Theater—his second in two days—was one of the mildest in some time and included only a few attacks on American "imperialists" and pro-American president of Venezuela, Romulo Betancourt.

2 Charged With Racing

Two teenage youths today are awaiting a hearing before Justice of the Peace Stephen P. Nieckoski on charges of drag racing.

Both John Bittinger, 19, of 5 Hunt Road, Highland Park, Levittown, and Thomas Seng, 18, of 152 West Maple Ave., Langhorne, were arrested Friday by Middletown Township Patrolman Carl Alscher.

Each boy posted \$500 bail with Magistrate Nieckoski, after the pair was arrested on the Superhighway in Langhorne, on charges of racing.

Lillian Reis Faces Brawling Charge

PHILADELPHIA (UPI)—Sultry Lillian Reis and her husky manager of her center city nightclub were slated for hearings today on charges of brawling with police.

Miss Reis, who faces a second trial in Pottsville, in connection with a burglary there in 1959, and Ralph Staino, manager of her club, were picked up early today after a scuffle with police who said they were speeding.

Staino, 31, allegedly punched patrolman George McMurren when asked for identification after the auto halted in front of Miss Reis' South Philadelphia home. As Staino, Miss Reis and an unidentified friend turned to enter the

house, police said McMurren tried to follow but was blocked by Miss Reis. The unidentified friend disappeared during the turmoil.

McMurren told his companion, patrolman Roland George, to call for help. Two other officers arrived and the four forced their way into the house and overpowered Staino after a tussle.

Staino was treated at a hospital for head cuts, which required 14 stitches to close. Miss Reis was charged with interfering with a police officer while Staino was charged with aggravated assault and battery on an officer, resisting arrest and failure to stop and identify himself.

Speeding Motorists Quick With Excuses

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seemed a legitimate reason: he was listening to the news and heard his house was on fire.

The policeman, sympathetic to the man's plight, offered to escort him. The man protested, but the officer insisted. After 20 minutes of driving, they finally arrived at the man's house: a rancher, sprawling peacefully in the sun. The only thing burning was the officer, who thereupon turned his wrath against the hapless motorist.

Same Excuse
Women, too, have been known to speed. At least three Lower Bucks policemen reported stopping women and hearing the same excuse — they were rushing home to turn off the oven . . . and rescue what was left of a roast, a turkey, and a cake, respectively.

It was a foggy day in Tullytown when police spotted their man. It wasn't for speeding, but this story is too good to pass up. The motorist had parked in front of a fire hydrant and was not about to let police fine him for it. He denied vigorously that the fire hydrant was there when he first parked. He accused Tullytown police of carrying around a portable fire hydrant and placing it next to parked cars in order to collect fines. Needless to say, the motorist lost his argument.

Uses Prop
The reverse of this may or may not be true, but an area man who was once in theatrics claims he's been doing it for years. He carries around an old prop: a hollow trunk. When he parks in front of a hydrant, he slips the tree over it and goes about his business.

Back to speeding. State Trooper Jim Faillace reports two interesting excuses, one of which proved convincing enough that the police let the offender go.

In the first, a speeding motorist who zipped by an unmarked police car was rather red-faced when he was flagged down. The only thing he could stammer was, "If I knew it was a police car, I wouldn't have been speeding."

Convicted Police
The other case involved a man who, agony written all over his face, claimed he had to reach the next rest stop — at once! Apparently he was convincing, because police let him go on. What must go down in history as

one of the all time classics occurred not so long ago on the turnpike, going west from the Delaware Valley interchange to the Philadelphia interchange.

The motorist, a young man about 21, was hitting near 90 when he was stopped. He said he realized he was speeding, but he was bored and was trying to ease his boredom by competing with the sun. The setting sun was just about disappearing over the distant rooftops.

All he wanted to do, he said, was see if he could get to the Philadelphia interchange before the sun disappeared.

Falls Reports 4 Crashes

A three-car crash and three other accidents marred the weekend in Falls Township.

The three-car collision occurred Saturday at 4:28 p.m. on Route 1 and Oxford Valley Road. Drivers of the three cars were Thomas Smith, 25, of 155 Liberty Street, Trenton; Fred Reukauf, Jr., 43, of 221 Station Ave., Langhorne; and Betty Adelstein, 43, of 121 Cadwalder Drive, Trenton. No charges were placed.

Mrs. Lillian Reukauf 40 and her twin daughters, Ellen and Lillian, seven, passengers in Reukauf's car, were taken to Lower Bucks County Hospital by the Delaware Valley Rescue Squad. Mrs. Reukauf was treated for contusions of the chest wall and released. The girls were uninjured.

At 5:50 p.m. Saturday on Trenton Road at the Mobile Station, a car driven by Alva Judd Talley, 38, of 350 Doone Road, Fairless Hills collided with a car driven by Joanne C. Denis, 17, of 2701 Wood Ave. Edgely. Miss Talley was charged with failing to signal a turn.

Yesterday at 12:35 p.m. on West Trenton Ave. and Big Oak Road, a car driven by Bonnie Marie Randall, 16, of 115 Pennsylvania Ave., Yardley was in collision with a car driven by Russ Oakes, 17, of 9025 Lynn Ave., Levittown. No one was charged.

A car driven by Deborah L. Lapp, 16, of 7 Spring Lane, Levittown, skidded on the ice and hit a traffic light at Olds Boulevard and Trenton Ave. last night at 8:10. No charges were placed.

Eight Boys Will Compete Wednesday

The newly formed Optimist Club of Levittown is holding its first oratorical contest Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Glenn Lake Inn, Old Lincoln Highway, Langhorne.

The contest, one of the most popular and participated in activities of Optimist International, will feature eight boys from two of Levittown's junior high schools, Benjamin Franklin and Franklin D. Roosevelt. The boys have been working on their speeches since Dec. 1, under the supervision of Mrs. Gladys Baumgardner, Al Nissman and Frank O'Donnell.

Ora Material
The subject of their speeches is "Youth Approach Toward World Forces." All material must be their own with advice only from outside sources.

Mike Riccardi, the chairman of the Levittown club contest, anticipates a large turnout.

Said Riccardi today: "The importance and significance of this activity, as far as the boys are concerned, is of such magnitude that no one can even imagine where this opportunity to express themselves for the first time will lead them. Certainly Webster, Shakespeare, Benjamin Franklin, Churchill and all other great orators received their inspiration from a humble beginning similar to this contest."

Purpose of Contest
"The purpose of the Optimist oratorical contest is to discover and capture the genius of one more Abraham Lincoln, who will devote his life and his energies to co-ordinate the forces of nature with the forces of modern science. No one can tell by listening to the organization of material presented by any boy in any Optimist oratorical contest, that he will not one day be inspired by a vision or a dream that he must bring to the world the message of cooperation and the utilization of God's forces for the common good."

Judges for the contest will be Chief Howard Shook of the Middletown Township police, Editor George G. Gray of the Courier-Times and William J. Wunsch, principal of Abraham Lincoln elementary school. Reservations for the dinner may be made by calling Riccardi or other members of the club.

Births

Lower Bucks County Hospital

Feb. 21
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hough, 310 Crabtree Drive, Levittown, girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Burns, 3707 Mechanicsville Road, Cornwells Heights, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Pond, 612 Court C, Terrace 2, Bristol, boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cross, 303 Lincoln Ave., Bristol, boy.

Feb. 22
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hess, 17 Heather Lane, Levittown, girl.
Mr. and Mrs. David Breneiser, 26 Butternut Road, Levittown, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. John McClelland, 285 Dogwood Drive, Levittown, boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Apfl, 211 North Park Drive, Levittown, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Adams, 222 Magnolia Drive, Levittown, girl.
Mr. and Mrs. James Becker, 6 Gooseneck Road, Levittown, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bliss, 74 Blue Ridge Drive, Levittown, boy.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stuebing, 501 Lincoln Ave., Hulterville, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kowalski, 4004 Hulterville Road, Cornwells Heights, boy.
Mr. and Mrs. James Barnhart, 57 Rustleaf Lane, Levittown, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Prindle, 330 Hayes St., Bristol, girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pellegrino, 6 Fillmore St., Bristol, girl.

Feb. 24
Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Keith, 229 W. Virginia Ave., Langhorne, girl.
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Baer, 49 Crabtree Drive, Levittown, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Masselle, 17 Black Pine Lane, Levittown, boy.

Weather



GOING TO SNOW

FORECAST: Partly cloudy this morning with occasional light snow this afternoon and tonight followed by clearing early Tuesday. High today 30 to 35. Overnight low 15 to 20. Tuesday fair and cold. High 25 to 30. Low today: 30 to 35. Low tonight: 15 to 20. High yesterday: 37. Low this morning: 29.